MR. R. MADHAVAN NAIR: Then the Government have supplied the quantity at a loss.

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: 11,953 cubic feet were supplied by the sub-contractor. On that the profit at the rate of 15 as. was Rs. 11,205.

MR. R. MADHAVAN NAIR: പതിനായിരം കൂമ്പിക്കടിക്ക് ഇരുപതിനായിരം വച്ചാണെങ്കിൽ കണക്ക് ശരിയല്ല

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: Sixteen thousand c. ft. were not supplied.

MR. K. BALAKRISHNA MENON: The sale price of II logs is shown at 9/12/c. ft. under answer (*b*).

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: That is a mistake; it ought to be 12 annas. It is a printer's mistake.

Quilon Forest Division.

478. *MR. R. MADHAVAN NAIR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to form a new Shencottah Forest Division by bifurcating the present Quilon Forest Division and to remove the present headquarters of Quilon Division to Punalur;

(*b*) whether there was a Shencottah Forest Division before;

(*c*) whether that was amalgamated with Quilon Forest Division by the present Conservator of Forests;

(*d*) what were the reasons for the amalgamation and what are the reasons for the proposed bifurcation;

(*e*) whether the Quilon Forest Division office is now housed in Government buildings; and

(*f*) whether there is any Government building at Punalur to house the Forest Division office, if it is to be transferred from Quilon to Punalur?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) It was amalgamated by Government.

(*d*) For a few years preceding the amalgamation, the intensity of work in the old Shencottah Division was not sufficient to justify its separate existence and so it was amalgamated with the Quilon Division. The prescriptions of the new working plans involve intensive exploitation and extensive regeneration which now necessitate a bifurcation into two Divisions.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) No; but a Government building is proposed to be constructed at Punalur to house the Divisional Forest Office.

MR. R. MADHAVAN NAIR: May I know when the Shencottah Division Office was amalgamated to the Quilon Division Office?

RAO BAHADUR T. V. VENKATESWARA AIYAR: It was in 1118.

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